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## Office of the Governor

April 15, 2019

Dear Mr. Kane:

Please accept the accompanying documents in fulfillment of your request pursuant to the Nevada Public Records Act, NRS 239 *et. seq.*, dated April 15, 2019. We have worked diligently to include all documents responsive to your request.

We hope you find these documents helpful. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Jungmin Park".

Jungmin Park

**Subject:** Re: Invitation to Israeli-American National Conference

**From:** <cmdavis@gov.nv.gov>

**Date:** 7/11/2016 1:52 PM

**To:** <Dillon@israeliamerican.org>

Good afternoon, thank you for the email. Unfortunately the Governor is not able to attend due to commitments already on his schedule during that time, my very sincere apologies. I hope your day is going well.

Christina

Sent from my iPhone, please excuse any typos.

On Jul 11, 2016, at 12:54 PM, Dillon Hosier <Dillon@israeliamerican.org> wrote:

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Dillon Hosier  
National Director of State Government Affairs  
Israeli-American Council (IAC)  
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Governor Brian Sandoval

June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016

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Adam Milstein  
National Chairman

**Subject:** Welcome our new Community Israel Emissary, Rebecca Avera

**From:** The Jewish Federation of Las Vegas <info@jewishlasvegas.com>

**Date:** 8/2/2016 1:05 PM

**To:** Rosa Mendez <rmendez@gov.nv.gov>

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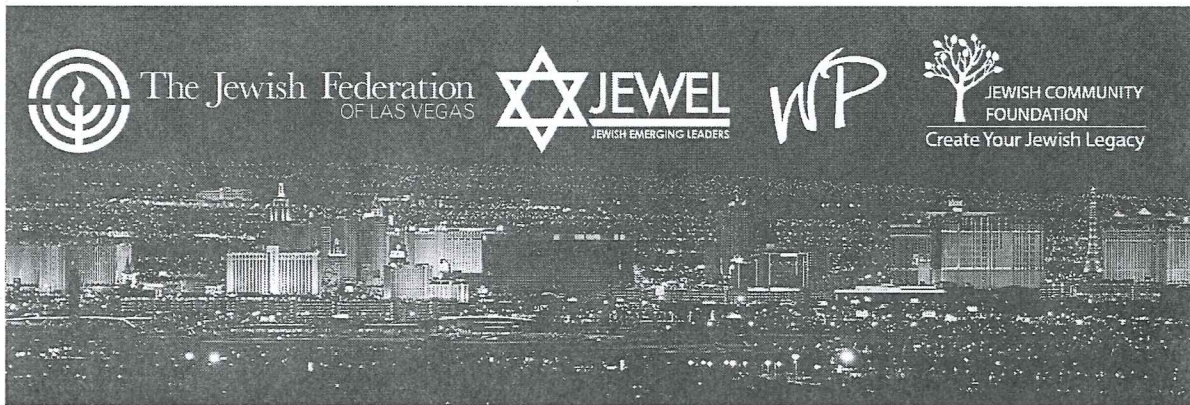
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**Welcome Rebecca Avera**

The Jewish Federation of Las Vegas (JFLV) and the Israeli American Council of Las Vegas (IAC) are excited to announce the arrival of our community's new Israeli Emissary, Rebecca Avera.

Rebecca joins our community through a partnership of the Jewish Agency for Israel, JFLV, and IAC. She is charged with strengthening our community's connection to Israel and the Israeli people. Additionally, Rebecca will serve as an Israel Fellow on the campus of UNLV. Rebecca will provide educational programming for the entire Jewish community and will also serve as an advocate for Israel within both the Jewish and broader community.

#### **About Rebecca:**

Rebecca Avera is 29 years old and is a native of Haifa, in northern Israel. Rebecca's parents moved to Israel from Ethiopia during "Operation Moses" in 1984. Today Rebecca has five siblings, and she is the second oldest.

At the age of 18, Rebecca drafted to the army and served in the Military Police. In this capacity, Rebecca was stationed at several checkpoints throughout the West Bank, working to prevent terror attacks in Israel. After the army Rebecca decided to follow her dream by enrolling in the IDC Herzliya as a Government Diplomacy and Strategy student. During her time at IDC, Rebecca had the privilege to take part in a delegation of seven students to be in South Africa during "Israel Apartheid Week." Rebecca and her cohort worked on campuses throughout South Africa and to make the case for Israel.

Rebecca spent two months volunteering at the Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington and has travelled to England to speak with communities, students, and individuals about her Jewish identity as an Ethiopian Israeli student. Rebecca is joining our community after completing her service as an Israel Campus Fellow at the Stanford University Hillel.

Please join the leadership of JFLV and IAC in welcoming Rebecca to our community.

**Todd S. Polikoff**  
President & CEO

**Noa Peri Jensch**  
Regional Director, Las Vegas Israel  
American Council



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**To:** <scheduling@gov.nv.gov>

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**Subject:** JFLV CEO Weekly Message

**From:** Todd Polikoff <Todd@jewishlasvegas.com>

**Date:** 2/26/2016 12:04 PM

**To:** Mike Willden <mwillden@gov.nv.gov>

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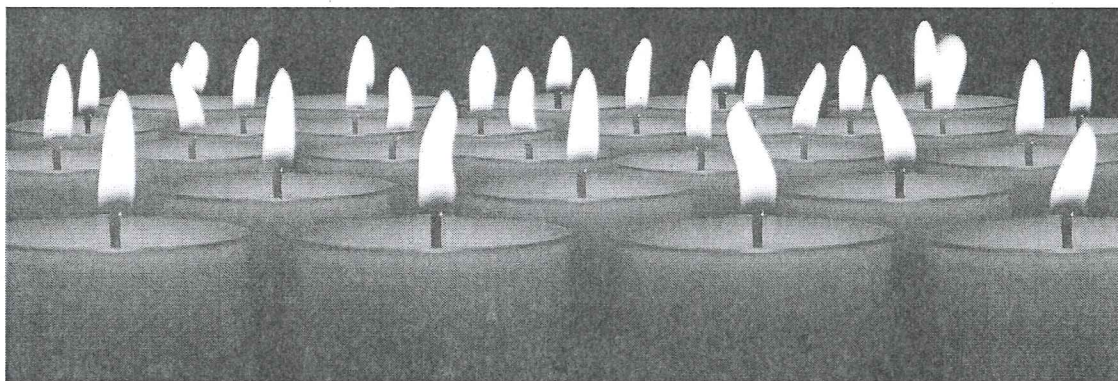
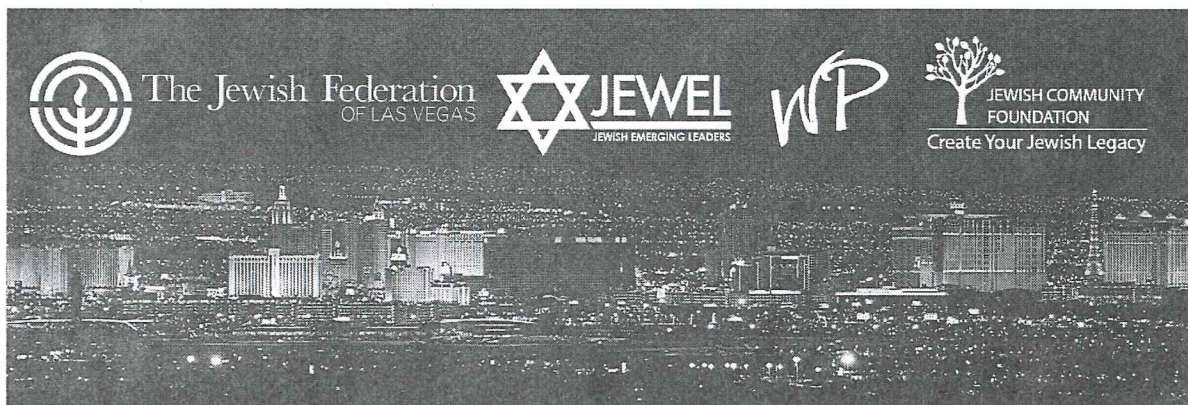
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## We Are Not Here to Curse the Darkness

In case you were not aware, or have been on Mars for the past year, there is a Presidential election currently in process. The speeches, debates, pundits, tsunami of commercials, and repugnant rhetoric caused me to think of how elections were conducted when television was still in it's infancy. There were no 24 hour news stations broadcasting urgent news alerts every time a candidate skipped a meal.

The rhetoric was different and the speeches became courses in effective communication.

One of the best speeches was given by then Presidential Candidate John F. Kennedy upon accepting the Democratic party's nomination at the 1960 convention in Los Angeles. Over the years I have used a quote from this speech at several speaking engagements as I feel it has significant gravity for the Jewish community.

*"We are not here to curse the darkness, but to light a candle that can guide us through the darkness to a safe and sure future. For the world is changing. The old era is ending. The old ways will not do."*

President Kennedy's words ring as true today as they did in 1960. In fact, those words could serve as a mission statement for the work of the Jewish Federation. We are here to guide people out of the darkness. We are here to be proactive and dynamic when solving the issues that impact our community. We are here to secure the future of our community.

We, as a people, have terrific examples of those who have not been satisfied with simply cursing the darkness. Henrietta Sczold who, in addition to founding Hadassah hospital, immigrated to Palestine in 1933 and helped run Youth Aliyah, which rescued 30,000 Jewish children from Nazi Europe. Natan Sharansky, whose strength and opposition to Russian brutality inspired Russian Jews who have changed the Jewish experience. There are countless other, less famous, examples of those who have brought light to the world. The key is that very few of them were able to light those candles alone. They had their community supporting them, advocating for them, and joining them in their dream.

So, in contrast with Disraeli's quote, we as a community must not prepare for the worse, we must prevent the worse. We should not hope for the best, we should create the best. We are responsible for the future of our community and ensuring that no one continues to live in darkness. If you're looking for candles...I have several boxes in my office ready to be lit!

As always, I welcome your comments at [todd@jewishlasvegas.com](mailto:todd@jewishlasvegas.com).



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